

Provisional Vital Statistics for October 2014

Live Births decreased in October as 6,399 Missouri babies were born compared with 6,530 born one year earlier. Cumulative births decreased slightly from 62,905 to 62,825 for the 10-period ending with October. For the 12 months ending with October, there were 75,164 births compared with 75,138, or 16 more than that for one year earlier.

Deaths increased in October as 4,835 Missourians died compared with 4,680 in October, 2013. Deaths also decreased slightly for the 10- and 12-month periods ending with October. For January-October, there were 47,494 Missouri resident deaths compared with 47,650 for the similar time period in 2013 for a decrease of 0.3 percent.

The **Natural Increase** in October for Missourians was 1,564 (6,399 births minus 4,835 deaths). The natural increase rose for both the 10- and 12-month periods ending with October. For the 12 months ending with October, the natural increase rose from 17,710 to 18,064, or 2.0 percent.

Marriages increased for all three periods shown in the table below. For January-October, marriages increased by 4.3 percent from 33,879 to 35,327.

Dissolutions of Marriage decreased for all three time periods shown below. For January-October, dissolutions decreased by 5.3 percent from 17,503 to 16,581. For the 12 months ending with October, the marriage to divorce ratio increased from 1.85 to 2.05.

Infant Deaths decreased in October as 30 Missouri infants died compared with 41 in October of 2013. For the 12 months ending with October, the infant death rate decreased from 6.6 to 5.9 per 1,000 live births.

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<u>Item</u>	<u>October</u>				<u>January-October Cumulative</u>				<u>12 months ending with October</u>				
	<u>Number</u>		<u>Rate*</u>		<u>Number</u>		<u>Rate*</u>		<u>Number</u>		<u>Rate*</u>		
	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>
Live Births	6,530	6,399	12.7	12.4	62,905	62,825	12.5	12.4	75,138	75,164	12.5	12.4	12.4
Deaths	4,680	4,835	9.1	9.4	47,650	47,494	9.5	9.4	57,428	57,100	9.2	9.5	9.4
Natural increase	1,850	1,564	3.6	3.0	15,255	15,331	3.0	3.0	17,710	18,064	3.3	2.9	3.0
Marriages	4,586	4,930	8.9	9.6	33,879	35,327	6.7	7.0	39,141	40,432	6.5	6.5	6.7
Dissolutions	1,806	1,666	3.5	3.2	17,503	16,581	3.5	3.3	21,184	19,762	3.8	3.5	3.3
Infant deaths	41	30	6.3	4.7	409	362	6.5	5.8	497	441	6.5	6.6	5.9
Population base (in thousands)			6,044	6,063			6,044	6,063			6,023	6,040	6,060

* Rates for live births, deaths, natural increase, marriages and dissolutions are computed on the number per 1,000 estimated population. The infant death rate is based on the number of infant deaths per 1,000 live births. Beginning with provisional July 2006 data numbers and rates are based on month of event rather than month of report. This will result in a delay in reporting, but will more accurately reflect current trends.

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